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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a multi-user computer system, a method of creating a user session comprises processing a log-on request entered by a user. The creation of the user session is halted when more than a maximum number of simultaneous log-on requests are being processed.

A multi-user computer system comprises at least one terminal for a user to enter a log-on request for creation of a user session. The system further comprises means for determining the number of log-on requests simultaneously being processed, and means for halting the creation of the user session if the number of log-on requests simultaneously being processed exceeds a maximum number.